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The NPS Maritime Domain Protection Newsletter

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Welcome to the Maritime Domain Protection Task Force

Welcome to the inaugural issue of SITREP, the Naval Postgraduate School's Maritime Domain Protection Task Force e-newsletter.

In early December 2003 the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) was tapped by the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense to form a research and investigative task force. This effort is to address issues surrounding protection of the United States and its vessels and citizens against terrorist threats originating from the maritime domain.

In response, NPS commissioned the Maritime Domain Protection Task Force (MDP-TF) in January 2004. Initially attracting over 25 faculty, students, and staff with experience in fields ranging from intelligence to information science to systems engineering, the team has begun to reach out to various agencies involved in developing our nation's policy and capabilities in Homeland Defense against terrorist threats.

The task force will focus on the DoD's responsibilities and roles in Homeland Defense, while recognizing the need to integrate with national Homeland Security efforts through inter-agency cooperation and intelligence sharing to form a common operational picture.

This multi-year effort will explore potential issues in order to define, design, and aid implemen-

tation of a national Maritime Domain Protection System. The envisioned system will provide capabilities to dissuade, deter, preempt, interdict, or defeat threats as far from U.S. borders as possible, and will be based on a concept of multiple lines of defense and domains, coordinated through a national command and control system.

The MDP-TF has established a schedule that includes delivery of a vulnerability versus capability assessment and an initial description of the current national system by October 2004. Additionally, concurrent efforts will include work in system

design, advance capabilities in Maritime Domain Awareness, the establishment of a classified Maritime Domain Homeland Defense database and reference library, and the creation of a classified Maritime Domain Protec-

tion war gaming facility to provide a “test bed” for local, state, federal, and DoD concept of operations development.

If you received this newsletter directly from NPS, you have been designated as an off-campus participant. We are only beginning our work, however, and have not yet identified all those who might contribute to or be interested in this important project. Please feel free to forward this e-mail to others who might like to be added to the MDP-TF “Point of Contact List.”

If this newsletter was forwarded to you and you wish to be added to (or deleted from) this mailing, please contact our Information Manager, Ms. Ann Wells, at abwells@nps.navy.mil.

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Maritime Domain Protection Task Force Focus

Use the war-fighter's perspective to dissuade, deter, preempt, interdict, or defeat threats and aggression as early and as far from U.S. borders as possible.

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